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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box PCT Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination and before the calculation of the filing fee, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 3, line 1 by deleting "or claim 2".

Please amend claim 4, line 1 by deleting "any one of claims 1 to 3" and substituting therefor --claim 1--.

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Please amend claim 5, line 1 by deleting "any one of claims 1 to 4" and substituting therefor --claim 1--.

Please amend claim 7, line 1 by deleting "any one of claims 1 to 6" and substituting therefor --claim 1--.

Please amend claim 8, line 1 by deleting "any one of claims 1 to 7" and substituting therefor --claim 1--.

Please amend claim 9, line 1 by deleting "any one of claims 1 to 8" and substituting therefor --claim 1--.

Please amend claim 10, line 1 by deleting "any one of claims 1 to 9" and substituting therefor --claim 1--.

Please amend claim 13, line 1 by deleting "or claim 12".

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Please amend claim 14, line 1 by deleting "any one of claims 11 to 13" and substituting therefor --claim 11--.

Please amend claim 15, line 1 by deleting "any one of claims 11 to 14" and

substituting therefor --claim 11--.

Please amend claim 17, line 1 by deleting "any one of claims 11 to 16" and substituting therefor --claim 11--.

Please amend claim 18, line 1 by deleting "any one of claims 11 to 17" and substituting therefor --claim 11--.

Please amend claim 20, line 1 by deleting "or claim 19".

Please amend claim 23, line 1 by deleting "either claim 21 or claim 22" and substituting therefor --claim 21--.

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Please amend claim 23, line 2 by deleting "any one of claims 12 to 17" and substituting therefor --claim 12--.

## REMARKS

The claims submitted for examination appear on original pages 26-28 and 30 and substitution pages 29 and 31 which are annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report. This Preliminary Amendment amends those claims to delete reference to multiple dependent claims.

Early consideration and allowance of claims 1-23 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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